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FOLLOWING REPEAT ROME 602, ACTION SECSTATE INFO BAMAKO,
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SUBJECT: GRAIN SUPPLY SAHEL

1. FOLLOWING FROM OSRO: FOOD SUPPLY SITUATION NIGER CAUSES
SERIOUS CONCERN. ARRIVALS EXPECTED FROM ABROAD JANUARY/FEBRUARY
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NOT SUFFICIENT TO COVER REQUIREMENTS. LATEST REPORTS INDICATE

CROP PRODUCTION OUTPUT WORSE THAN ANTICIPATED AND FOOD AVAILABILITY IN CERTAIN AREAS CRITICAL WHICH ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT INFORMATION WILL RESULT IN SHORTFALL 33,000 MT IN ADDITION TO TOTAL AMOUNT OF FOOD ASSISTANCE ALREADY REQUESTED FROM BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL DONORS. THEREFORE DONORS ARE URGED TO EXPEDITE SOONEST SHIPMENTS TO NIGER AND REQUESTED TO CONSIDER URGENTLY NEEDED ADDITIONAL FOOD DONATIONS. FOOD SITUATION AS AT 7 JANUARY AS FOLLOWS:

COUNTRY	STOCKS IN PORT	ARRIVALS EXPECTED BY END FEBRUARY	TOTAL AVAILABILITY END FEBRUARY
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MAURITANIA	9,000	8,659	17,659
SENEGAL	41,627	2,000	43,627
MALI	19,385	5,249	24,634
UPPER VOLTA	7,941	12,249	20,190
NIGER	3,571	15,499	19,070
CHAD	2,100	14,000	16,100

2. SHOULD THE NEEDS INDICATED BY THE MULTIDONOR MISSION REPORTS BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT THE RATES OF THE AVERAGE MONTHLY DISTRIBUTIONS WOULD BE AS FOLLOWS:

MAURITANIA 8,300 MT
 SENEGAL 12,000 MT
 MALI 19,700 PLUS MT
 UPPER VOLTA 10,600 MT
 NIGER 28,200 PLUS MT FROM JANUARY TO MAY
 20,200 MT FROM MAY TO OCTOBER

3. IT APPEARS THAT AVAILABILITY END FEBRUARY DOES NOT COVER MONTHLY DISTRIBUTIONS NEEDS FOR MALI AND NIGER. PLUS FOR MALI WE RECOMMEND TO UTILIZE PRIMO ABIDJAN WHERE THERE ARE PRESENTLY NO STOCKS AND NO FOOD EXPECTED SECUNDO COTONOU FOR GAO AREA. COTONOU CAPACITIES OF PORTS OF ENTRY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

12,000 MT VIA COTONOU
 12,000 MT VIA APAPA
 4,000 MT VIA PORT HARCOURT.VOLPE
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